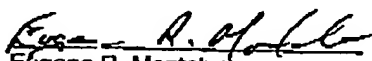


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**PETITION TO REVIVE AN ABANDONED PATENT**  
**APPLICATION UNDER 37 CFR 1.137(a)**

Applicant hereby petitions, through his undersigned attorney, that the above-identified patent application be revived and reinstated. This application was unintentionally abandoned by failure to timely respond to Office Action dated February 11, 2003. The entire delay in filing the required reply until the filing of a grantable petition pursuant to 37 CFR §1.137(b) was unintentional.

Please charge the applicable fee required under 35 CFR 1.17(m) for this petition and any additional fees associated with the filing of this petition to Shell Oil Company, Deposit Account No. 19-1800. Enclosed is a Response to Office Action mailed February 11, 2003 for the above identified application.

Respectfully submitted,

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